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As the week began prices were sharply higher on all sizes in all areas except New York where prices were unchanged. As the week progressed prices were unchanged in most areas except New York where prices were higher on the larger sizes but unchanged on mediums. The market tone was steady to fully steady with the heavy weights in the strongest position. Demand continued to be light to good. Supplies were adequate to occasionally tight on the larger sizes and sufficient to at times available for medium sizes. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were tight to adequate with a fair demand. Most business centered on fulfilling contractual liquid agreements or internal needs with spot business light following the Labor Day holiday. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment was steady to firm. Removal costs for spent hens were higher. Demand was light with adequate to available offerings. The trade sentiment was mostly steady. Removal prices ranged 6-11 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 1 cent higher for large. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to at times fully steady with large in the best position. Retail demand remained moderate to good in most areas. Loose egg demand was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were in balance to tight for the larger sizes and fully adequate to available for the lighter weights. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged to higher. Offerings were tight to adequate for the fair demand. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady to firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	57-67	58-64
LARGE	56-66	57-60
MEDIUM	36-46	38-41

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged, however the larger sizes were trending higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand remained moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to close for the larger sizes, but fully adequate on the lighter weight eggs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate for a moderate demand. Spent hens were at least sufficient to fully sufficient for slaughter requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69-83	72-75
LARGE	64-78	69-73
MEDIUM	39-52	44-46

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

## COMBINED REGIONAL

Sep 02, 2005

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	64.50	63.00	41.00
SOUTHEAST	63.50	61.50	41.00
MIDWEST	53.00	50.50	35.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	69.50	60.50	42.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	62.94	58.88	40.09

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	09-06-05	08-30-05	09-07-04
Large	39-48	33-42	24-31
Medium	23-27	23-27	10-14

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- SEPTEMBER 06, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO	SO	5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.8	13.1	4.6	10.5	9.0	48.0
	Change	-0.4	1.0	0.4	1.3	-1.1	3%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.7	41.2	7.7	24.3	25.9	128.8
	Change	3.5	3.1	-1.3	5.2	-4.8	5%
Large	Curr Wk	39.6	120.8	50.2	94.4	78.3	383.3
	Change	-4.2	2.2	-0.3	13.2	-4.5	2%
Medium	Curr Wk	18.0	54.9	17.2	39.1	30.6	159.8
	Change	2.3	1.6	-4.9	9.9	0.7	6%
Small	Curr Wk	6.5	9.6	4.6	6.5	2.7	29.9
	Change	-1.3	-0.2	-1.0	-2.1	-1.1	-16%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.9	41.3	8.8	17.0	5.4	76.4
	Change	-1.0	-5.5	0.0	0.1	-0.1	-8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	14.6	37.1	18.8	19.9	27.4	117.8
	Change	1.0	7.1	9.6	-1.0	-1.7	15%
Total	Curr Wk	123.1	318.0	111.9	211.7	179.3	944.0
Percent	Change	0%	3%	2%	14%	-7%	3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	944.0	3%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	263.8	11%	35
Total Shell Egg	1,207.8	5%	210

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

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Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 27-AUG-05**(LBS IN THOUSANDS)  
(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,303,179	30,779	12,358	6,596	2,787	4,274
PW	1,328,391	31,234	12,558	6,607	3,000	4,599
LY	1,312,258	31,477	12,255	6,397	2,797	4,411
% Chg PWK	-2%	-1%	-2%	0%	-7%	-7%
% Chg LY	-1%	-2%	1%	3%	0%	-3%
2005	45,721,987	1,075,526	450,410	241,728	102,626	154,919
2004	43,085,871	1,022,954	413,395	224,139	97,073	147,501
% Chg YTD	6%	5%	9%	8%	6%	5%

**Average Yield Per Case**

	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	41.44	41.40	41.56
(Inedible Excluded)	38.16	37.94	38.20

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	535,842	41.1%	14,185	46.1%
PREVIOUS WEEK	532,539	40.1%	14,142	45.3%
LAST YEAR	508,741	38.8%	13,255	42.1%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	AUG 27	SEP 03	AUG 27	SEP 03
	Thousand			
AL	31,580	31,315	21,617	21,557
AR	30,918	29,480	24,158	23,610
DE	3,784	3,835	5,864	5,853
FL	1,379	1,394	1,510	1,662
GA	33,247	33,235	*26,397	26,973
KY	*6,652	6,936	*6,226	5,790
LA	4,073	4,027	*4,134	3,726
MD	8,919	8,876	5,253	5,076
MS	*18,605	17,489	*16,994	15,117
NC	*17,511	17,301	*14,472	15,033
OK	6,734	6,508	4,387	4,953
PA	*4,197	4,109	*3,001	3,012
SC	5,175	4,796	5,003	4,140
TX	15,066	15,050	12,084	11,753
VA	6,196	6,182	5,207	5,094
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,245	17,808	*17,832	16,259

19 State Total \*211,281 208,341 \*174,139 169,608

Previous Year Total 210,468 209,170 175,177 174,771

Pct. of Prev. Year 100 100 99 97

\* Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 15-Oct-05 is estimated at 158.2 million head. This compares to 160.9 million head the previous week and to 164.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.4 million head and the composite weighted average price was 69.72 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES**

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 09/01/05-09/07/05

CURRENT LDS 72.50 FUTURE LDS 38.50 TOTAL LDS 111.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	51.33	54.00	51.20	53.33	—	—	19.00
GL W J	—	—	76.00	77.00	—	66.00	2.00
GL W XL	—	66.00	64.25	65.36	54.10	—	34.50
GL W LG	—	63.60	56.15	61.14	52.83	58.17	28.50
GL W MD	—	—	33.67	35.38	30.50	32.50	5.25
GL W SM	17.75	21.25	13.00	15.00	18.00	19.50	5.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	41.00	40.00	9.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	18.00	—	1.00

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 03-SEP-2005**

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG PW	LY
Atlanta	25.9	24.4	6	-8
Boston	3.2	3.6	-11	-3
Chicago	85.4	81.5	5	36
Detroit	30.3	24.4	24	11
Kansas City	6.4	4.8	33	49
Los Angeles	114.4	112.7	2	23
New Orleans	Storm	Storm	0	0
New York	32.3	30.2	7	17
St. Louis	21.5	19.0	13	42
San Francisco	17.5	19.0	-8	-12
Total	343.3	326.0	5	19
4 Week Moving Avg.	338.7			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 03-SEP-05**

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	1,908	2,697	43	13	4,661
Avg Wt	16.16	35.55	24.80	32.40	27.50
Last week	1,953	2,723	9	8	4,693
Same wk yr ago	1,827	2,716	54	0	4,597
Avg Wt	15.68	34.80	23.63	0.00	27.31
To-date/2005	60,996	89,848	834	143	151,821
To-date/2004	60,786	89,148	1,765	266	151,965

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

Week ending 03-SEP-05

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	HEAD- LIVE	AVG
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD- LIVE	WT
North East	743	-3	23.65	(A)	746 23.65
South Atlantic	681	20	30.84	(A)	684 30.84
North Central	2,171	-3	31.12	(A)	2,174 31.12
South Central	708	-4	18.24	(A)	710 18.24
West	345	-6	25.30	(A)	347 25.30
U.S. total	4,648(B)	-1	27.50	13	4,661 27.50

To-date

2005 151,678(B) 143 151,821

To-date

2004 151,699(B) 266 151,965

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 43,000; for the current year to date 834,000; for last year to date 1,765,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** (Preliminary)

W/E 03-Sep-2005	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	150,807	1,369	1,338	2,707	504
Avg Wt	5.20	3.24	8.21	5.70	6.38
Last week	167,447	1,458	1,481	2,939	517
Same wk yr ago	167,764	1,464	1,571	3,035	467
Avg Wt	5.16	3.35	8.08	5.80	6.61
To-date/2005	5,635,068	52,427	49,895	102,322	17,368
To-date/2004	5,479,282	47,691	46,694	94,385	16,319

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 163.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 152.6 million head, or 11.1 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Sep-05

CLASS	Current Week 09/10/05(1)	Previous Week 09/03/05
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	146,434(2)	149,518
Light hens	1,024	1,306
Heavy hens	1,035	1,324
Total	148,493	152,148

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 10-Sep-05 is 165.7 million head compared to 151.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 146.7 million head or 19.0 million less than estimated available. For the week of 17-Sep-05 the estimated available is 163.7 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/  
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING		MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
July	30	170.9	167.1	102%	5.19
August	6	171.9	167.4	103%	5.28
	13	170.7	167.6	102%	5.18
	20	169.8	166.8	102%	5.23
	27	169.5	165.7	102%	5.24
September	3	152.6	163.7	93%	5.20
Year to date		5703.4	5768.8	99%	
September	10		163.1		
	17		164.8		

**FINAL BROILER/FRYER** Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of

05-SEP-2005 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	67.00-70.00	69.73	43	70.86	78
Los Angeles	81.00	80.52	48	78.02	102
New York	69.00-72.00	70.48	21	69.92	53

**COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/  
FRYERS**

05-SEP-2005	Change from 29-AUG-2005	29-AUG-2005	06-SEP-2004
73.09	1.71	71.38	70.14
Number of loads	554		

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,** FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	WTD	LBS
8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES
EASTERN REGION 3/	76-85	76-83
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76-81	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	76-83	-

16-24 LB TOMS	WTD	LBS
EASTERN REGION	76-80	76-78
CENTRAL REGION	76-80	-
WESTERN REGION	76-80	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS** - Selected Centers  
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 09/05/05	3,457	118,833	52,382
AM 08/01/05	3,491	118,501	47,724
CHG	-34	332	4658
PCT CHG	-1%	0%	10%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of July 31, 2005 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on September 1, 2005 are:

FROZEN EGGS	20 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
TURKEYS	517 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
POULTRY	771 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

**HEN MARKETS**

**HEAVY TYPE** (7 pounds and up)\* Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 05-SEP-05

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
Southeast (1)	9.75-16 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.21
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	9.5-16.25 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.00

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

\*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

**LIGHT TYPE** Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

02-SEP-05	REMOVAL COST
REGIONS	RANGE
Eastern	5-13
South Central	Too Few To Report
North Central	6-11

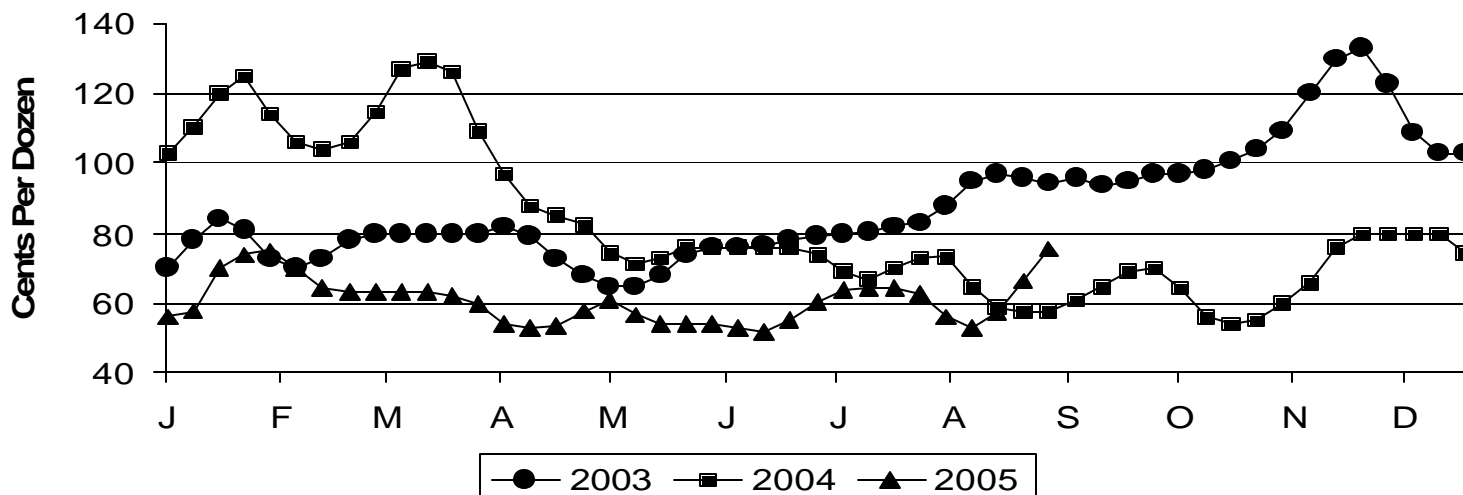
**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT** (Receipts From Producers)  
W/E 03-Sep-2005

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PW	LY
North Atlantic	251.7	2	0
East North Central	596.9	6	-1
West North Central	291.5	-2	-3
South Atlantic	188.9	-2	-13
South Central	57.7	2	-17
West	198.7	-3	2
Total	1585.4	2	-3

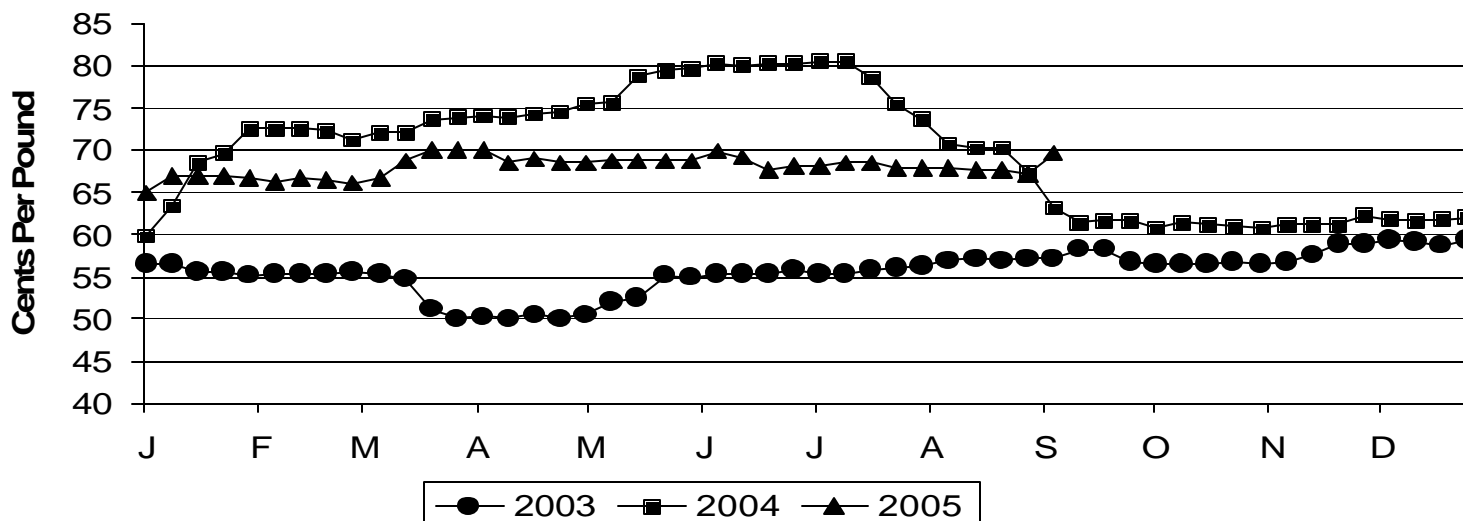
Matched Plants reporting Previous week 86  
Last year 85

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)  
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)  
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)  
West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

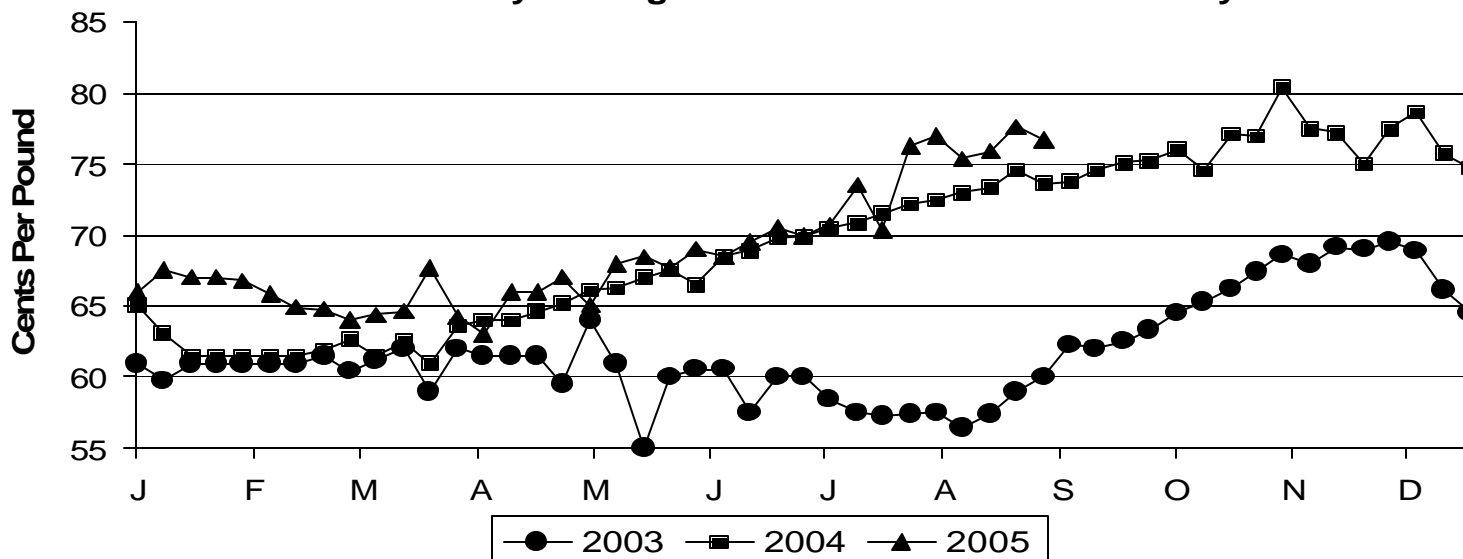
### New York Large Weekly Average Price



### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices



### Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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